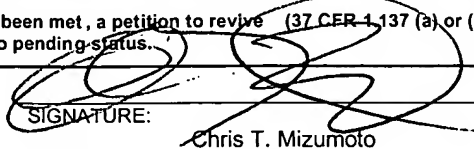


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| TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 | | ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 09852/0202258-US0 U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/519794 |
| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2003/007866 | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 20 June 2003 | PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 25 June 2002 |
| TITLE OF INVENTION COATED CUTTING TOOL MEMBER | | |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Hidemitsu Takaoka et al. | | |
| Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: | | |
| 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. | | |
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| 3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371 (f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. | | |
| 4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31). | | |
| 5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)) | | |
| a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). | | |
| b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. | | |
| c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). | | |
| 6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)). | | |
| a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. | | |
| b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). | | |
| 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)) | | |
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| 8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)). | | |
| 9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)). | | |
| 10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)). | | |
| Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included: | | |
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| 13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment. | | |
| 14. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. | | |
| 15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. | | |
| 16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. | | |
| 17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825. | | |
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| 19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). | | |
| 20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: Certificate of Express Mailing Under 37 CFR 1.10; Copy of WO 2004/000494 A1; Check in the amount of \$1,040.00; Return Receipt Postcard | | |

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| 21. The following fees are submitted: | | | | | |
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